# The Trojan

# 1946

THE ANNUAL STAFF

Dedicates

the

1946 Trojan

to the

First Graduating Class of Big Spring

and

All Following Graduates

from

Big Springs High School

and

Big Springs Rural High School

The Annual Staff

We, the annual staff, are presenting this annual with the hope that it will be enjoyed by all who cast their eyes upon it. We have enjoyed ourselves greatly getting together all the material necessary to present this. It has not all been work, however, for there has been much gum chewing, candy eating, and, of course, a lot of gossip.

If there are any complaints to be made, please bring them to the following persons:

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| Editor-in-chief | Doris Lohr | Organizations | Jean Wear |
| Page designer | Rolland Johnson | Sports | Bob Borron |
| Cover designer | Mae Harder | Typist | Marie Sorensen |

If she ever does anything wrong it must be when she is asleep--Bonnie Brockmoller.

## Board of Education

The men serving on the Board of Education of the Big Springs Rural High School are:

President: Glen Kepler--two years of service.

Secretary: Sam McClung--three years of service.

Treasurer: Otto Riss--four years of service.

These men have been elected to their respective positions because the public feels that they are capable and will do their best to fulfill their responsibilities.

Idell in her new spectacles has been the cause of many owls dying of jealousy.

J. C. Riddlemoser

Hastings College, Hastings, Nebraska, B.A.; Colorado State College of Education, Greeley Colorado, M.A.; Post graduate work, Denver University, Denver Colorado.

Superintendent Mathematics

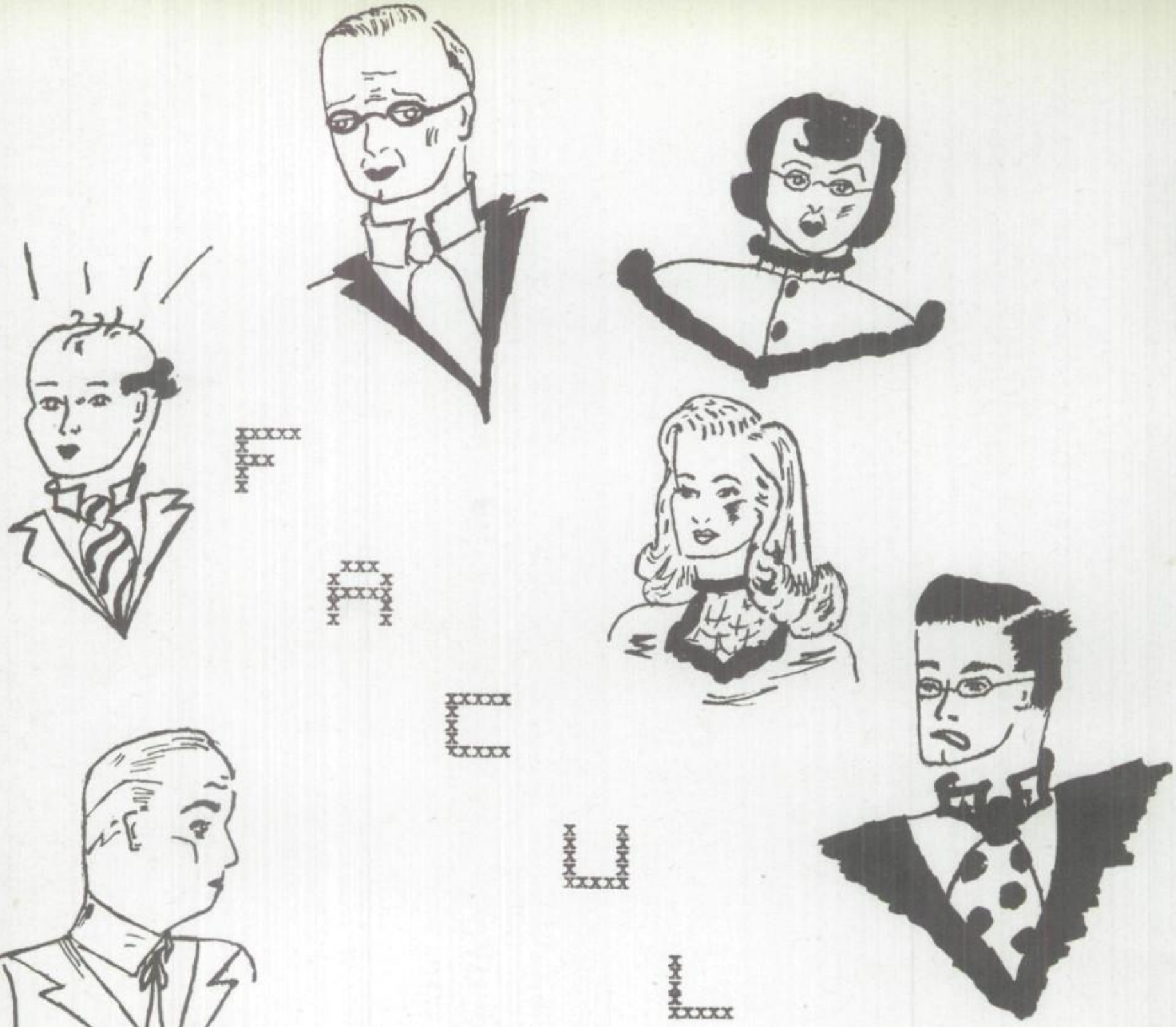
The school year of 1945-1946 opened with a brighter outlook into the future for the student body.

The summer months of 1945 brought to a close a war which has sapped the schools of their young men and women as soon as they were graduated, and even sometimes before they were graduated. We have more to look forward to during this and the following years than we have had heretofore. For three years, a student's main aim was to prepare himself for some type of military training. The principal aim of every graduate and each member of the high school now should be preparation for a desirable livelihood for himself and posterity.

Life is what we are alive to. It is not length, but breadth. To be alive only to appetite, pleasure, pride, money-making, and not to goodness and kindness is to be dead.

Charles Kingsley once said, "Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do that day which must be done whether you like it or not. Being forced to work and forced to do your best can breed in you temperance and self-control, diligence and strength of will, cheerfulness, and one hundred virtues which the idle man will never know."

The difference between Mr. Riddlemoser and everybody else is that he is Mr. Riddlemoser.



John Webb--
University of Nebr., B.A.; Colorado State College of Agriculture and Mechanics, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Vocational Agriculture

The "First Floor Dragon" when the superintendent is gone.

Isabel Bartholomew--
Graduate of Ursinus College at Collegeville, Pa., A.B.; Major in English and Languages.

English and Dramatics

She finally shut the door.

Margaret Gordon--
State Teachers College Kearney, Nebr., B.A.; Graduate work, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming; University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado.

Commercial

Poise and personality are good assets in any ousiness.

Vincent Wilcox--
University of Denver, Denver, Colorado.

Band and Chorus

Swing It! Raza Ma Taz!

Jane Shaw--
State Teachers College, Kearney, Nebr., B.A.; University of Southern Calif.; University of Minn.; Colorado State College, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Home Economics

Her thoughts have carved a sweet expression on her face.

Virginia Swanholm--
University of Nebraska, B.S.

English and Dramatics

She has the personality and the looks to go places.

Jack Miller--
Peru State Teachers College, Peru, Nebr., A.B.; Graduate work, University of Nebr. and the University of Paris.

Social Science and Mathematics

He loves to answer foolish questions.

Mamie Loukota--
University of Nebraska B.S.; Graduate work, University of Nebraska.

Normal Training

She takes life as it comes, making the best of the worst and enjoying the better.

## National Honor Society

Six seniors, Doris Lohr, June Heiser, Audrey Gill, Don Rose, Maralyn Walrod, and Herbert Dixon, were chosen members of National Honor Society for 1946.

These students were selected because of their ability to meet high qualifications of character, scholarship, leadership, and service.

In order to be eligible for consideration, a student must be in the upper one-fourth of his class. Consideration is given then, to the degree to which he meets the other three qualifications for membership.

The National Honor Society is sponsored by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and membership is open only to those attending a school belonging to the Association.

Doris Lohr will make a mistake some day and scare her teachers to death.

## Most Popular Student

Irvin Kallsen was chosen "Most Popular Student" by an almost unanimous vote of the student body at a party given by the English III and IV class in the High School gymnasium on February 7.

Candidates for this honor were selected by each class. They were as follows: Twyla Kenfield, Freshman; Jacqueline Bartley, Sophomore; Irvin Kallsen, Junior; and Bonnie Brockmoller, Senior.

Votes were pennies dropped into jars decorated in Valentine colors and with the names of the candidates.

The money collected in this way will be used to help purchase a sound movie projector.

I can't help if I am popular--Irvin Kallsen

Colors: Crimson and Gray.

Flower: American Rose.

Motto: Build For Character, Not For Fame.

Mr. Webb

Sponsor

Marie Sorensen
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
F. T. A. 3-4
Band: 2-3-4
Class Play: 3-4
Annual Staff: 4

James Walline
Major: Agriculture
F. F. A. 2-3-4
Chorus: 2-3-4
Operetta: 2-3-4
Football: 3-4
Basketball: 3-4
Class Play: 4

Robert Robb
Major: Agriculture
F. F. A. 2-3-4
Class Play: 3

Naomi Smith
Major: Commerce
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
Class Play: 3-4
N. R. A. 3
CB's: 4

Mary Alyce Wood
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
F. T. A. 3-4
Class Play: 3

Gloria Pursel
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
Band: 2
F. T. A. 3-4
N. R. A. 1-2-3-4
CB's: 4
Class President: 3

Herbert Dixon
Major: Mathematics
Chorus: 1-2-3
Operetta: 1-2-3
Basketball: 2-3-4
Class Play: 3-4
Scholastic: 3
Class President: 1

Shirley Remington
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 1
Operetta: 1
F. T. A. 3-4
CB's: 3

I am a man after my own heart--Herb Dixon

Jean Wear
Major: Commerce
Chorus: 1-4
Operetta: 1-4
N. R. A. 2-3-4
Band: 1-2
Annual Staff: 4
Class Play: 4

Idell Olson
Major: Commerce
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
Band: 1-2-3-4
Sextette: 2-3
Class Play: 4

Frances Jurgensen
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 1-4
Operetta: 1-4
F. T. A. 3-4
N. R. A. 1-2-3-4
CB's: 3-4

Robert Borron
Major: Agriculture
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
Class Play: 3-4
F. F. A. 2-3-4
Track: 2-3
Annual Staff: 4

Mae Harder
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 1-4
Operetta: 1-4
F. T. A. 3-4
N. R. A. 1-2-3-4

Bonnie Brockmoller
Major: Commerce
Chorus: 4
Operetta: 4
N. R. A. 4
CB's: 3-4

Maxine Bartley
Major: English
Chorus: 1
Class Play: 3
CB's: 4

Maralyn Walrod
Major: Commerce
Band: 2-3-4
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
N. R. A. 1-2-3-4
Class President: 2
Scholastic: 1-2-3-4
Class Play: 4

Doris Robb
Major: Home Economics
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
CB's: 3-4

Mildred Mauser
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 1-2-3-4
Operetta: 1-2-3-4
N. R. A. 1-2-3-4
F. T. A. 3-4
CB's: 4

If ringlets were dollars she'd be a millionaire--Frances Jurgensen.

Audrey Gill
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 4
Operetta: 4
F. T. A. 3-4
CB's: 3-4

Don Rose
Major: Mathematics
F. F. A. 2-3-4
Chorus: 2-3-4
Operetta: 2-3-4
Class Play: 3-4
Scholastic: 2-3

John Palser
Major: Agriculture
Chorus: 2-3-4
Operetta: 2-3-4
Band: 2-3-4
F. F. A. 2-3-4

June Heiser
Major: Science
Chorus: 2-3-4
Operetta: 2-3-4
N. R. A. 1
Class President: 4
Scholastic: 3-4
Class Play: 4

Edna May Hartwell
Major: Normal Training
Chorus: 3
Operetta: 3
F. T. A. 3-4
N. R. A. 1-2-3-4

Junior Hothan
Chorus: 2-3
Operetta: 2-3
Basketball: 2-3-4
Track: 2-3
F. F. A. 1-2

Bill Southard
Major: Science
Chorus: 1
Basketball: 1-2-3-4
Football: 3-4
Class Play: 3

Evelyn Gray
Major: English
Chorus: 1-4
Operetta: 1-4
Dramatics: 3
N. R. A. 4

Doris Lohr
Major: Commerce
Chorus: 4
Operetta: 4
Class Play: 3
N. R. A. 1-2-3-4
Scholastic: 2-3-4
Annual Staff: 4

Gary Bowker
Major: Agriculture
F. F. A. 2-3-4
Basketball: 4

If someone should pinch Gary Bowker he would be terribly surprised when he awoke.

# The Weakly Roomer

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MARY WOOD'S COLUMN

Dear Mary:

I am writing you on a delicate situation. I am very much in love with my husband, but he is now in love with the mystery writer, Maxine Bartley. I don't know whether to try to win him back or to let him go. What should I do?

Wondering,
Jean Wear Bowker

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Dear Mrs. Bowker:

I have answered your letters before. If you cannot follow the answers to the other letters which have dealt with the same subject. I suggest that you go see Dr. Doris Robb, the famous psychiatrist.

Sincerely,
Mary Wood

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PHARMACIST ACQUITTED OF MURDER

Herb Dixon was arrested on suspicion of murder by the famous woman detective, Evelyn Grey, for a mistake he made in the composition of patent medicine (Sure Cure All) but was acquitted by the scheming work of his lawyer, Donald Rose.

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SPORTS

Bill Southard will appear in the Rose Bowl game as star of the year. Little Gloria and Bill Jr. will be there cheering for their daddy.

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SOCIAL NEWS

Miss Frances Jurgensen will entertain in honor of Miss Shirley Remington, of Mexico City, Mexico, on Wednesday evening, May 17, at her beautiful home on Madison Avenue.

Miss Remington, formerly of Big Springs, has been very generous in using her enormous fortune for the construction of Home for Orphaned Chihuahuas in Mexico.

Very elaborate preparation has been made for this great lady. The feature of the evening will be two famous actors, Bonnie B. and James W., who gained fame overnight in the show "Never Amber."

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Audrey Gill Democratic candidate for President of the United States will debate with June Heiser a Republican candidate for the same office on the subject, "Shall we allow veterans of World War II to Homestead on the Moon."

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Robert Robb has gained fabulous wealth in the buying of oil wells and selling them for post holes. He has invested a large share of his wealth into the backing of a new show on Broadway which will star Miss Marie Sorensen, Miss Maralyn Walrod, and Miss Naomi Smith who were awarded the Radio Oscar as the outstanding singing trio of the year, in their Life Buoy program. They were voted the best fog horn Life Buoy has ever had.

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POLITICS

I wish to announce that I am candidate for mayor of New York on the No Nothing ticket. Your vote will be appreciated.

Doris Lohr

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Edna May Hartwell has reopened her new dairy after redecorating all the old stalls in a tasteful arrangement of pink with green polka dots and purple woodwork. The curtains are of white dotted swiss and add an air of daintiness. The floor is of orange linoleum. She thinks the new idea of decorating will increase the milk production 60%. Several nickelodeons with the latest jive records have already raised the standard of living in this model dairy.

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There will be both morning and evening services at the Holiness Church, every Sunday of this month. You are cordially invited to attend. Your contribution will be appreciated.

Rev. M. C. Harder
Pastor

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Robert K. Borron physician, surgeon, psychiatrist, chiropodist, plastic surgeon, and faces lifted on credit. All operations guaranteed. If we don't fail we'll try again. Try me for a pleasant and easy way out. Borron Mortuary open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Neatness, personified--Maxine Bartley.

Junior Hothan was awarded the pentathlon championship at the Olympic games in Moscow, Russia. This is the third time in four years he has won this award.

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Mildred's Dance Studio Instructions in Hula-Hula, Dutch Hop, the Big Apple, Rug Cutting, Ballet, Irish Jigs, The Highland Fling, Sailors Hornpipe and all other types of ballroom, professional, and social dancing. No insurance offered but doctor's office down the hall. No charges for lessons in which bones are broken. Call No. 3134 at the Farmers State Bank, Big Springs, Nebr. Studio open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dates accepted for night work. Mademoiselle Mildred Mauser.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Palser and their six children are planning their annual trip to the moon in their space ship named after his wife, Idell. They will leave on the 16th of next month at 3:45, if everything works out.

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## HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF 1946

The year of 1946 will witness the graduation of the most wonderful and brilliant class ever to graduate in the history of the state of Nebraska. We started upon our career of education in the fall of 1936. The average age of this most perfect class, when we embarked upon our career, was three years, the average weight was 50 pounds; and the average height was 47 inches; our average grade at the beginning, although we hate to admit it, was sixty.

When we were freshmen, we put the seniors to shame. Instead of the seniors laughing at us and calling us green, we laughed at them. This class began with an enrollment of forty-three members.

On the road to success the class lost about fifteen members, either because they couldn't keep the same speed, or because the grass looked greener on the other side of the fence.

The class has been voted the most likely to succeed in the movies in fifty years. As a whole they resemble most closely the characteristics of the following stars of screen and radio: Jimmy Durante's nose, Eddie Cantor's eyes, Charlie Chaplin's feet, Vera Vague's personality (girls), Cass Daley's teeth, Jerry Colonna's mustache, Lou Costello's figure (boys), Joan Davis's figure (girls), Frank Morgan's tall tales, Cousin Minnie Pearl's voice (girls), Bing Crosby's voice (boys), Fibber Magee's hall closet, Harpo Marx's curly wig, Gildersleeve's laugh, and Rita Hayworth's wardrobe.

On the day of graduation, the average of this class was very astonishing. The average grade was 99.9 per cent, the average weight was 190 pounds, the average height was six feet, the average age was 14 years, the average size of shoe was 10, the average size of glove was 7, the average collar size was 20 inches, and the average chest expansion was 5 inches. Because of the unusual size and weight of this class, Commencement was postponed for two weeks in order to allow a rebuilding of the stage with steel girders after the first practice had caused the floor to collapse.

"To be or not to be"--is the question now facing Bill and Gloria.

# Senior Will

Maxine Bartley wills her mincing gait to Edgar Wood so he can keep up with Nelda.

Audrey Gill wills her height to Gale Schlake so he can see when he gets in a crowd.

Edna May Hartwell wills her dark hair to Kenneth Heidemann so his won't be so bright.

Gary Bowker wills his ears to Vance Dorn so the extra size will enable Vance to hear while sleeping.

Mae Harder wills her ability to drive to Marcia so Marcia won't drive up on the curb anymore.

Marie Sorensen wills her patience to Lois Ann so Lois Ann won't go into hysterics.

Don Rose wills his rowdy ways to Dick Bayley so Dick won't cause the teachers so much trouble.

June Heiser wills her beet-red blushes to Irvin Kallsen.

Junior Hothan wills his good posture to Laura Lea Borm.

John Palser wills his tractor driving ability to Merton Quaife so Merton can get some of the high wages this summer.

Bill Southard wills his athletic ability to Norman Beattie so Norman can make a hit with the girls, which he is trying so hard to do.

Frances Jurgensen wills her giggles to Verna McGreer who will certainly use them.

Robert Borron wills Bette Kyes to the loving care of LeRoy Hatterman.

Idell Olson wills her beloved spectacles to Joyce Armstrong.

Jean Wear wills her excess weight to Lee Barnica so he can qualify for that heavy-weight championship.

Evelyn Gray wills her gift of gab to Marjorie Nootz.

Doris Lohr wills her pug nose to Harold Mauser.

Bonnie Brockmoller wills her shyness to Gladys Kallsen.

Maralyn Walrod wills her toothpaste grim to the freshmen boys so they can win the favor of the next office girl.

Doris Robb wills her studiousness to Nelda Kahl.

Mildred Mauser wills some of her hair to Mr. Wilcox so his head won't get cold.

James Walline wills his car to Howard Hansen so he can make a quick get away from the cops.

Gloria Pursel wills her sailors to Katherine Bishop because they will soon be civilians.

Herb Dixon wills his neatness to "Eddie" Howerter so Ed can sing on the radio after television comes into practical use.

Shirley Remington wills her Normal Training to Marcine Schlake.

Mary Alyce Wood wills her piano playing to Bob Johnson so he can play while he sings.

Robert Robb wills his hair oil to Charles Driefholt to hold down his natural curly hair.

Naomi Smith wills her beautiful teeth to Kyle Klemme who will probably need them when his own wear out from constant use.

The senior class of 1946 wills their individual and collective brilliance to the whole school to be divided among all students of the high school according to their individual needs.

A sweet little headache--Mary Alyce Wood.

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## Junior Class

We, the members of the Junior class, started out school year 45-46 with thirty-five members, nineteen boys and sixteen girls. Miss Gordon is our sponsor.

We elected as our officers:

President. . . . . Lois Waterman  Secretary . . Nelda Kahl
Vice President . . Berneta Bayley  Treasurer . . Vance Dorn

Members participating in basketball were: Dick Bayley, Vance Dorn, Bob Huey, Irvin Kallsen, DeWayne Southard, and Kenneth Heidemann.

Juniors taking part in football were: Jack Bright, Vance Dorn, Kenneth Heidemann, Edward Howerter, Bob Huey, Irvin Kallsen, Bob Leder, Richard Pierce, and DeWayne Southard.

The Junior class had their first class party January 16. The boys entertained the girls at a scavenger hunt.

Students proud to be in the Junior class are: Joyce Armstrong, Pauline Arnold, Phyllis Arnold, Berneta Bayley, Richard Bayley, Norman Beattie, Katherine Bishop, Laura Borm, Jack Bright, Vivian Dobson, Vance Dorn, Irene Frank, Kenneth Heidemann, Edward Howerter, Bob Huey, Rolland Johnson, Nelda Kahl, Irvin Kallsen, Don Knapp, Bette Kyes, Robert Leder, Mary Mollendor, Carleton Olson, Patricia Palser, Richard Pierce, Merna Quaife, Dick Rochlitz, Lee Rose, Pauline Stimka, DeWayne Southard, Donald Thrasher, Adeline Van Cura, Lois Waterman, Marcia Webb, and Edgar Wood.

Students may come and students may go, but Jean Wear talks forever.

## Sophomore Class

We started our second year of high school with twenty-three members, three less than we had last year. Miss Loukota is our sponsor.

Orval Dehning was elected as President of our class, Louise Olson as Secretary, Ilene Zimmerman as Vice President, and Harold Mauser as Treasurer. Barbara Caskey is our news reporter.

Boys in basketball were: Bill Dixon, Howard Hansen, Wilbur Hilst, Vern Kallsen, Kenneth Marsden, Harold Mauser, Victor Santero, and Junior Shaw.

The boys that participated in football from this class were: Orval Dehning, Bill Dixon, Billy Dobson, Wilbur Hilst, Karl Jurgensen, Vern Kallsen, Kenneth Marsden, Harold Mauser, and Junior Shaw.

Members of the class are: Jacqueline Bartley, Barbara Caskey, Orval Dehning, Billy Dobson, Bill Dixon, Donald Gill, Naomi Huey, Wilbur Hilst, Karl Jurgensen, Vern Kallsen, Kenneth Marsden, Harold Mauser, Louise Olson, Margie Pursel, Corabell Remington, Jerline Rhoades, Juanita Rochlitz, Victor Santero, Marcine Schlake, Junior Shaw, Perry Waterman, and Ilene Zimmerman.

The girls are all crazy about John Palser but he won't believe it.

Freshman Class

The freshman class began the year with an enrollment of thirty-six members.

Three boys took part in basketball this year. They were: Jack Riddlemoser, Richard Kimbrough, and Larry Huey.

Seven boys went out for football. They were: Lyle Dehning, Erwin Dobson, Leroy Hatterman, Larry Huey, Richard Kimbrough, Jack Riddlemoser, and Norman Southard.

Members of the class are: Dean Armstrong, Carolyn Arnold, Violet Bailey, Lee Barnica, Ramona Bright, Lyle Dehning, Erwin Dobson, Charles Driefholt, Harvey Harder, Leroy Hatterman, John Heidemann, Edward Hobelman, Larry Huey, Ople Johnson, Neva Kahl, Gladys Kallsen, Twyla Kenfield, Richard Kimbrough, Joanne Kjeldgaard, Kyle Klemme, Duane Leder, Mickey Linch, Jean Mercer, Verna McGreer, Marjorie Nootz, Duane Palser, Vernon Palser, Merton Quaife, Jack Riddlemoser, Betty Jean Rogers, Gail Schlake, Bobby Shaw, Lowell Smith, Norman Southard, Alice Zimmerman, and Stephen Zimmerman.

I may not know much, but I can tell you a lot just the same--Mildred Mauser.

The senior class presented the play "A Crazy Mix-up" on March 26, 1946.

"A Crazy Mix-up" centered around three roommates, Lee Julian, a designer; Crystal Craig, an artist; and Paula Roberts, an authoress. The girls get in trouble with their landlady, Mrs. Macready, when they find they owe six months back rent.

Lee has won a $5,000 prize in a contest that is opened to men only. To collect the money, she disguises herself by borrowing clothes from some friends and tries to collect the prize from the doubtful Phillip Holden. About this time Lee's mother, Alicia Julian, appears and, not recognizing her own daughter, causes a great confusion.

At length the hoax is discovered; but Lee is awarded the prize for her work anyway; the landlady is paid; Mrs. Julian understands the cause for excitement; the clothes are returned to the curious men; and the play ends happily.

The cast:

Lee Julian, a Designer. . . . . June Heiser
Crystal Craig, a commercial Artist. . . . . Naomi Smith
Paula Roberts, an aspiring Authoress. . . . . Marie Sorensen
Alicia Julian, Lee's Mother . . . . . Jean Wear
Michael Pavloff, Attache of the Soviet Embassy. . . . . Don Rose
Don Carlos Sebastion, A Spanish Artist. . . . . James Walline
Emil Stamm, An Eminent Violinist. . . . . Bob Borron
Phillip Holden, Emmisary of the Goodwill Society. . . . . Herb Dixon
Natalie Lane, An Interior Decorator . . . . . Maralyn Walrod
Mrs. Macready, The Landlady . . . . . Idell Olson

I'm not quite so reserved as I look--Junior Hothan

## Junior Class Play

"Lights Out," a mystery-comedy play, was presented by the Junior Class of 1945-46, on November 29, 1945.

The play was centered around Mrs. Agnes Harwood and her daughter Doris. All Mrs. Harwood expected when she invited a houseful of guests was a pleasant house party and a possible buyer for the estate which she had inherited from her uncle.

When Neil Parker, Doris Harwood's fiance appears and suggests that the guests play the game "Murder," the mystery begins. One guest disappears, mysterious voices warn Mrs. Harwood not to sell, and every one suspects every one else.

The mystery is solved when the missing guest appears and Neil finds a hidden hoard of diamonds.

The cast:

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| Agnes Harwood. . | Albert Stilwell's neice . . . | Adeline Van Cura |
| Doris Harwood. . | Agnes's daughter. . . . . | Phyllis Arnold |
| Carl Emerson . . | A guest of Agnes. . . . . | Edward Howerter |
| Vicky Wayne. . . | Another guest . . . . . | Marcia Webb |
| Helen Freeland . | A secretary . . . . . | Irene Frank |
| John Bates . . . | A prospective buyer . . . . . | Carleton Olson |
| Susan Bates. . . | Wife of John Bates. . . . . | Pauline Arnold |
| Neil Parker. . . | Writer of detective stories . | Rolland Johnson |
| William Vaughn . | Real estate agent . . . . . | Dick Rochlitz |
| Ella Tucker. . . | Mrs. Harwood's maid . . . . . | Lois Waterman |
| Benny King . . . | Ella's romeo. . . . . | Vance Dorn |

Most great men are dead or dying. I'm not feeling so well myself--Bob Borron.

SELECTED CHORUS

The personnel of the Selected Chorus, which meets on Fridays, was chosen from the members of the full chorus, which includes members of boys' and girls' glee clubs. This group works to understand better music and to improve standards of performance.

The 1945 ratings were:

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| Sylvia Gehrke | Good | Edward Howerter | Excellent |
| Katherine Bishop | Good | Rolland Johnson | Excellent |
| Phyllis Hanley | Excellent | Larry Rallens | Excellent |
| Eunice Aufrecht | Excellent | David Palser | Excellent |
| Idell Olson | Excellent | Jacqueline Bartley | Excellent |
| Mary Alyce Wood | Excellent | Mixed Chorus | Excellent |
| Roberta Walline | Excellent | Girls Glee Club | Excellent |

Mae Harder can argue five hours trying to get out of five minutes work.

## Operetta

The operetta, Jeanie, was presented by the members of the mixed chorus on February 15, 1946.

The cast was:

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| Jeanie Rawdon, a young southern girl. . . . . | Maralyn Walrod |
| Judge Calhoun Rawdon, Jeanie's uncle. . . . . | James Walline |
| John Smith, later Dennis Jackson, Jeanie's sweetheart . | Rolland Johnson |
| Rodney Crawley, Dennis's cousin . . . . . | Edward Howerter |
| Mr. Poisson, Rodney's shyster lawyer. . . . . | Robert Borron |
| Two flirtatious girls | |
| Lily Blake . . . . . | Idell Olson |
| Mary Blake . . . . . | Jacqueline Bartley |
| Two flippant young men | |
| 1st young man. . . . . | Jack Riddlemoser |
| 2nd young man. . . . . | Dick Rochlitz |
| Mammy Phyllis, Jeanie's servant . . . . . | Doris Lohr |
| Lucifer, Dennis's servant . . . . . | Don Rose |

The scene of the operetta is on Judge Rawdon's plantation. Jeanie, the Judge's pretty niece, is the center of attraction. All the young men for miles around are in love with her. She will not accept any of them, however, because she is waiting for Dennis Jackson, her childhood sweetheart. Dennis returns after being gone for seven years and finds that his scheming cousin, Rodney Crawley, has deceived him and stolen his girl. Rodney is exposed and Dennis and Jeanie are happy once more.

If you think I'm slow ask the snail that I had a race with--Naomi Smith.

GLEE CLUBS

The Girls' Glee Club of fifty-one members practiced faithfully, and presented numbers at the November concert.

For the first time, Big Springs Rural High School had a Boys' Glee Club of twenty-eight members. Much interest was stimulated by this organization and the percentage of male voices in the chorus was much higher than in any previous year.

Of all my mothers children, I am my favorite--James Walline.

## Band

The band is divided in two organizations: Advanced band for those having over a year in band, and Beginning band, for students interested in starting on an instrument, and later being transferred to the Advanced band.

Members of the Advanced band are:

| Clarinets | Saxophones | Trombones |
|---|---|---|
| Joyce Armstrong | Patricia Palser | Marie Sorensen |
| Jerline Rhoades | Louise Olson | Bob Huey |
| Margie Pursel | Harold Mauser | |

| Trumpets | Baritone | Drums |
|---|---|---|
| Nelda Kahl | John Palser | Maralyn Walrod |
| Kenneth Marsden | Merton Quaife | Lois Ann Waterman |
| Idell Olson | | Marcia Webb |
| Merna Quaife | | |

Members of the Beginning band are:

| Clarinets | Saxophones | Trombones |
|---|---|---|
| Barbara Caskey | Kyle Klemme | Joanne Kjeldgaard |
| Ramona Bright | Verna McGreer | Ople Johnson |
| Betty Rogers | | Vernon Palser |
| Twyla Kenfield | | Jack Riddlemoser |

| Trumpets | Baritone | French Horn |
|---|---|---|
| Lowell Smith | Leroy Hatterman | Duane Palser |
| Neva Kahl | | |

"The world doesn't always recognize its truly great men"--Bob Robb.

## CB CLUB

The CB club is composed of girls who have been in homemaking for two or more years, and all girls of the homemaking classes.

The club officers are:

| | |
|---|---|
| President. . . . . | Gloria Pursel |
| Vice President . . . . . | Mildred Mauser |
| Secretary. . . . . | Pauline Arnold |
| Treasurer. . . . . | Frances Jurgensen |
| News Reporter. . . . . | Margie Pursel |

Officers were installed to their various offices during a candle light service. Mrs. Edgar Pursel and Mrs. Julius Arnold serve as club mothers this term of school.

Some activities of the club were: filling baskets for the needy of Big Springs, and preparing and selling of food at football and basketball.

Trouble comes from idleness-she is never idle--Shirley Remington.

N. R. A.

The N. R. A. organization consists of thirty-seven members.

The first meeting of the year was called on September 18, 1945. At this meeting officers were elected for the first semester. The officers were:

President. . . . . Bonnie Brockmoller
Vice President . . Joyce Armstrong
Secretary. . . . . Phyllis Arnold
Treasurer. . . . . Marcia Webb
Cheer Leaders. . . Maralyn Walrod, Gloria Pursel, Mildred Mauser

On January 15, the second semester officers were chosen. They were:

President. . . . . Doris Lohr
Vice President . . Maralyn Walrod
Secretary. . . . . Joyce Armstrong
Treasurer. . . . . Lois Waterman
News Reporter. . . Pauline Arnold

Members of N. R. A. are: Joyce Armstrong, Carolyn Arnold, Phyllis Arnold, Pauline Arnold, Berneta Bayley, Ramona Bright, Barbara Caskey, Vivian Dobson, Ocle Johnson, Mae Harder, Edna May Hartwell, Naomi Huey, Bonnie Brockmoller, Frances Jurgensen, Twyla Kenfield, Joanne Kjeldgaard, Doris Lohr, Mildred Mauser, Jean Mercer, Louise Olson, Gloria Pursel, Margie Pursel, Cora Belle Remington, Jerline Rhoades, Juanita Rochlitz, Betty Rogers, Marcine Schlake, Adeline Van Cura, Maralyn Walrod, Lois Ann Waterman, Jean Wear, Marcia Webb, Gladys Kallsen, Irene Frank, Evelyn Gray, Pauline Stimka, and Laura Lea Borm.

June Heiser--World's Champion Blusher.

# F. T. A.

This is the sixth year that the F. T. A. organization has been in this school. The enrollment this year is thirteen.

Our F. T. A. club meets the first and third Monday of each month. Our theme is "The Islands of the Pacific." We each give reports on the different islands.

Our motto is: "If you want learning, you must work for it."

Our colors are: Blue and Silver

Officers are as follows:

| | 1st. Semester | 2nd. Semester |
|---|---|---|
| President. . . . . | Audrey Gill | Shirley Remington |
| Vice President . . | Patricia Palser | Frances Jurgensen |
| Secretary. . . . . | Frances Jurgensen | Edna May Hartwell |
| Treasurer. . . . . | Shirley Remington | Mae Harder |
| Historian. . . . . | Mildred Mauser | Mildred Mauser |
| Librarian. . . . . | Marie Sorensen | Marie Sorensen |
| Activity Leaders . | Mae Harder, Pauline Arnold, Bette Kyes | Mae Harder, Pauline Arnold, Bette Kyes |

The height or cruelty would be to put Evelyn where she couldn't talk.

F. F. A.

This is the first year that the F. F. A. picture has appeared in the annual. The F. F. A. was reorganized in 1943-44 with nine members. Since then, the club increased in membership until is now has twenty-three members.

Officers are:

Advisor. . . . . Mr. Webb
President. . . . . Carlton Olson
Vice President . . Kenneth Heidemann
Secretary. . . . . James Walline
Treasurer. . . . . Robert Robb
News Reporter. . . Don Rose
Sergeant of Arms . Junior Howerter

The officers attended the F. F. A. District Meeting in Chappell where they gained some knowledge of the conducting of meetings.

Don Rose was caught smiling the other day. Will wonders never cease?

Commerce

This year the Commercial Department includes, Typing I, Typing II, Shorthand I, and Shorthand II.

The department was improved by the addition of fluorescent lights in the typing room and by the purchase of twenty new typewriters as soon as wartime restrictions were lifted.

Second year typists who received awards were:

Competent Typist Test

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jean Wear | 47/4 | Naomi Smith | 47/5 |
| Frances Jurgensen | 43/2 | Marie Sorensen | 59/5 |
| Mae Harder | 42/2 | Doris Lohr | 54/2 |
| Idell Olson | 54/1 | | |

Gregg Writer Tests

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mary Alyce Wood | 42/7 | Frances Jurgensen | 43/3 |
| Doris Lohr | 50/6 | Naomi Smith | 45/7 |
| Mae Harder | 39/6 | | |

Shorthand awards in a five minute dictation at eighty words a minute:

Doris Lohr — Naomi Smith
Idell Olson — Maralyn Walrod

First year typists who received awards on Competent Typist Tests:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Joyce Armstrong | 43/2 | De Wayne Southard | 32/4 |
| Pauline Stimka | 35/1 | Phyllis Arnold | 33/4 |
| Carleton Olson | 31/5 | Adeline Van Cura | 36/4 |
| Dick Rochlitz | 34/5 | Wilbur Hilst | 35/3 |

No shrimp ever wants to get fresh with me--Audrey Gill.

HOMEMAKING

The Homemaking classes emphasize better living in our homes, our community, and our country.

Activities within the classroom include:

1. Planning, preparing, and serving meals of the day.
2. Making of clothing and renovation of old clothing.
3. Our place as a member within the family.
4. Care of little children.
5. Careers that interest a girl when she leaves high school.

Members of the Homemaking classes are: Freshmen; Carolyn Arnold, Violet Bayley, Ramona Bright, Ople Johnson, Neva Kahl, Gladys Kallsen, Twyla Kenfield, Joanne Kjeldgaard, Verna McGreer, Jean Mercer, Marjorie Nootz, Bette Rogers, and Alice Zimmerman. Sophomores; Barbara Caskey, Naomi Huey, Louise Olson, Margie Pursel, Corabelle Remington, Jerline Rhoades, Juanita Rochlitz, Marcine Schlake, and Ilene Zimmerman. Advanced; Laura Lea Borm, Vivian Dobson, Mildred Mauser, Gloria Jean Pursel, Pauline Stimka, and Mary Mollendor.

What's the use of living if you can't have a good time--Doris Robb.

Agriculture

The boys spend their time studying animal husbandry, crops and soil, and farm management.

Twice a week in the shop the boys gain experience in welding, car repair, woodworking, and black smithing.

The members of Agriculture classes are: Dean Armstrong, Lee Barnica, Erwin Dobson, Lyle Dehning, Charles Driefholt, Harvey Harder, Leroy Hatterman, John Heidemann, Edward Hobelman, Larry Huey, Richard Kimbrough, Kyle Klemme, Duane Leder, Mickey Linch, Duane Palser, Vernon Palser, Merton Quaife, Jack Riddlemoser, Gail Schlake, Bob Shaw, Lowell Smith, Norman Southard, Stephen Zimmerman, Orval Dehning, Bill Dixon, Bill Dobson, Donald Gill, Howard Hansen, Karl Jurgensen, Vern Kallsen, Kenneth Marsden, Harold Mauser, Victor Santero, Perry Waterman, Norman Beattie, Jack Bright, Kenneth Heidemann, Irvin Kallsen, Donald Knapp, Carleton Olson, Richard Pierce, Lee Rose, James Walline, and Robert Robb.

Duane Leder is going to get a job as a telephone pole when he grows up.

## Honor Night

Honor night was held on May 16, 1945, when honors were awarded to those students who had participated in the numerous activities of the school.

The activities for which they were honored are: Football, Basketball, and Track. Students who were in the band and chorus programs also received awards.

Scholastic awards were presented to students having an average of ninety and no grade below eighty-five.

Pins were presented to students who became members of The National Honor Society.

## May Fete

On the evening of May 9, the royal procession, announced by Bob Webb and Michael Kimberly, the trumpeters, was led by Margie Kracke, the queen, and Bob Wilder, the prince, who were chosen from the seniors of the class of 1944-45. The queen's attendants were Norma Schlake and Leo Harder, seniors; Bonnie Brockmoller and Bill Southard, juniors; Nelda Kahl and Bob Huey, sophomores; and Naomi Huey and Harold Mauser, freshman.

The crown, which was on a satin pillow was carried by Fauna Ann Trout. The flower carriers were Shirley Schutt, Maurice Schlake, and Jerry Palser. The train bearers were Carol Ann Mauser and Kenny Lee Rochlitz.

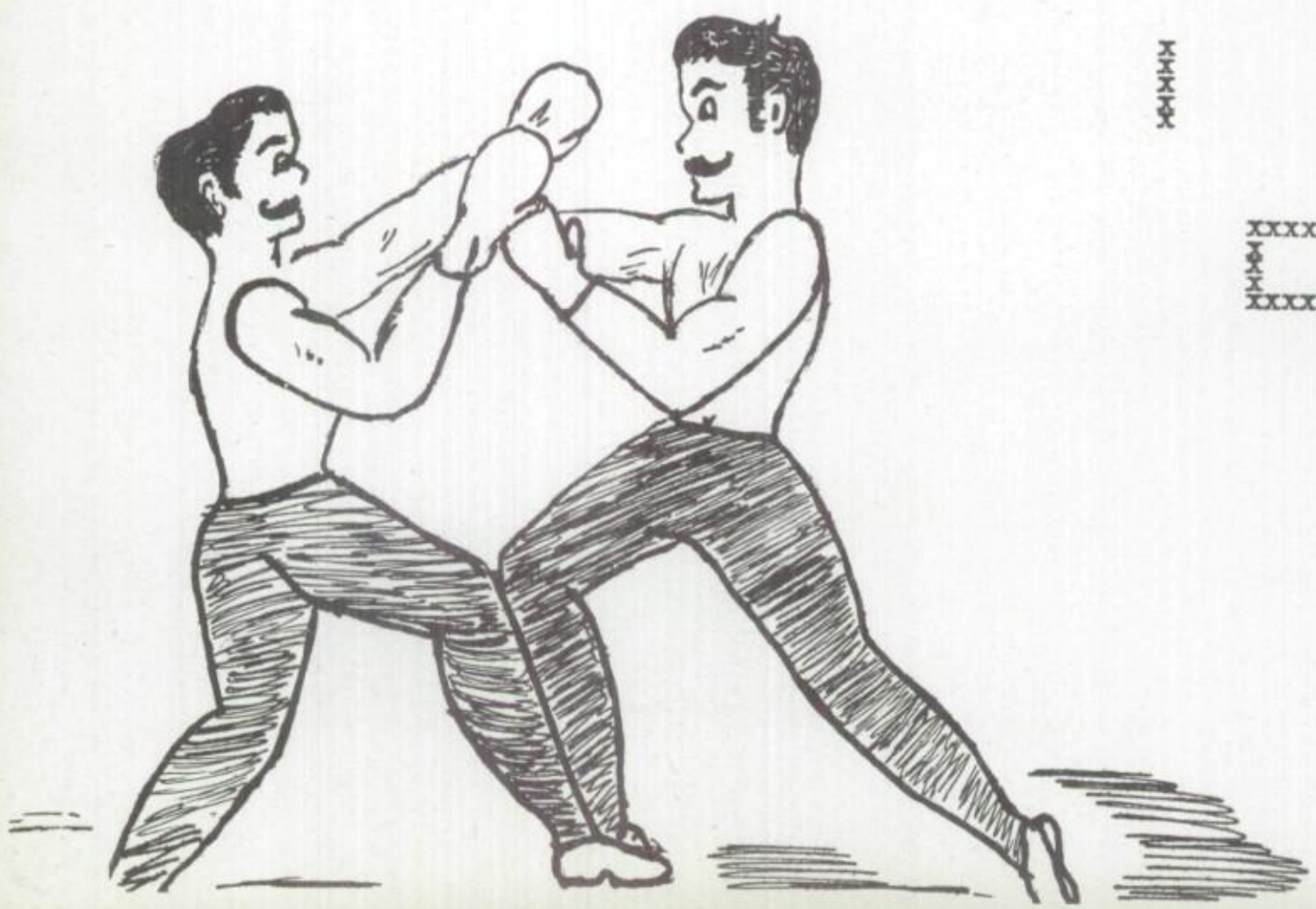
## Athletic Banquet

On March 8, 1945, the N. R. A. girls honored the football and basketball boys at a banquet given in the gymnasium of the Big Springs Rural High School.

## Junior-Senior Banquet

The juniors entertained the seniors at a banquet given in the gymnasium of the Big Springs Rural High School on April 27, 1945. The gym was attractively decorated as an "Old-Fashioned Garden."

Gale Schlake says its awful to be small, but he's young yet, give him a chance.



## Football

The Trojans of 1945 carried the torch that was handed down to them to victory after victory. This was one of the most thrilling and exciting seasons for years in the sport of football for the Trojans.

The players showed extraordinary talent and ability and had the enthusiasm of the student body backing them.

Bill Southard received honorable mention in the state.

### Schedule

| | H | OP |
|---|---|---|
| Brule | 26 | 0 |
| Sutherland | 0 | 49 |
| Lewellen | 22 | 6 |
| Lodgepole | 33 | 13 |
| Dalton | 50 | 0 |
| Hershey | 36 | 8 |
| Paxton | 20 | 12 |
| Madrid | 41 | 0 |
| Stapleton | 16 | 40 |

Lettermen on the team which took second place in the conference were: Bill Southard, DeWayne Southard, Vance Dorn, Kenneth Marsden, Harold Mauser, Junior Howerter, Irvin Kallsen, Jack Riddlemoser, James Walline, Wilbur Hilst, Perry Waterman, Richard Pierce, Howard Hansen, Bob Huey, and Jack Bright.

Co-captains were Bill Southard and DeWayne Southard.

When Bob Leder gets as husky as his voice he'll be a big man.

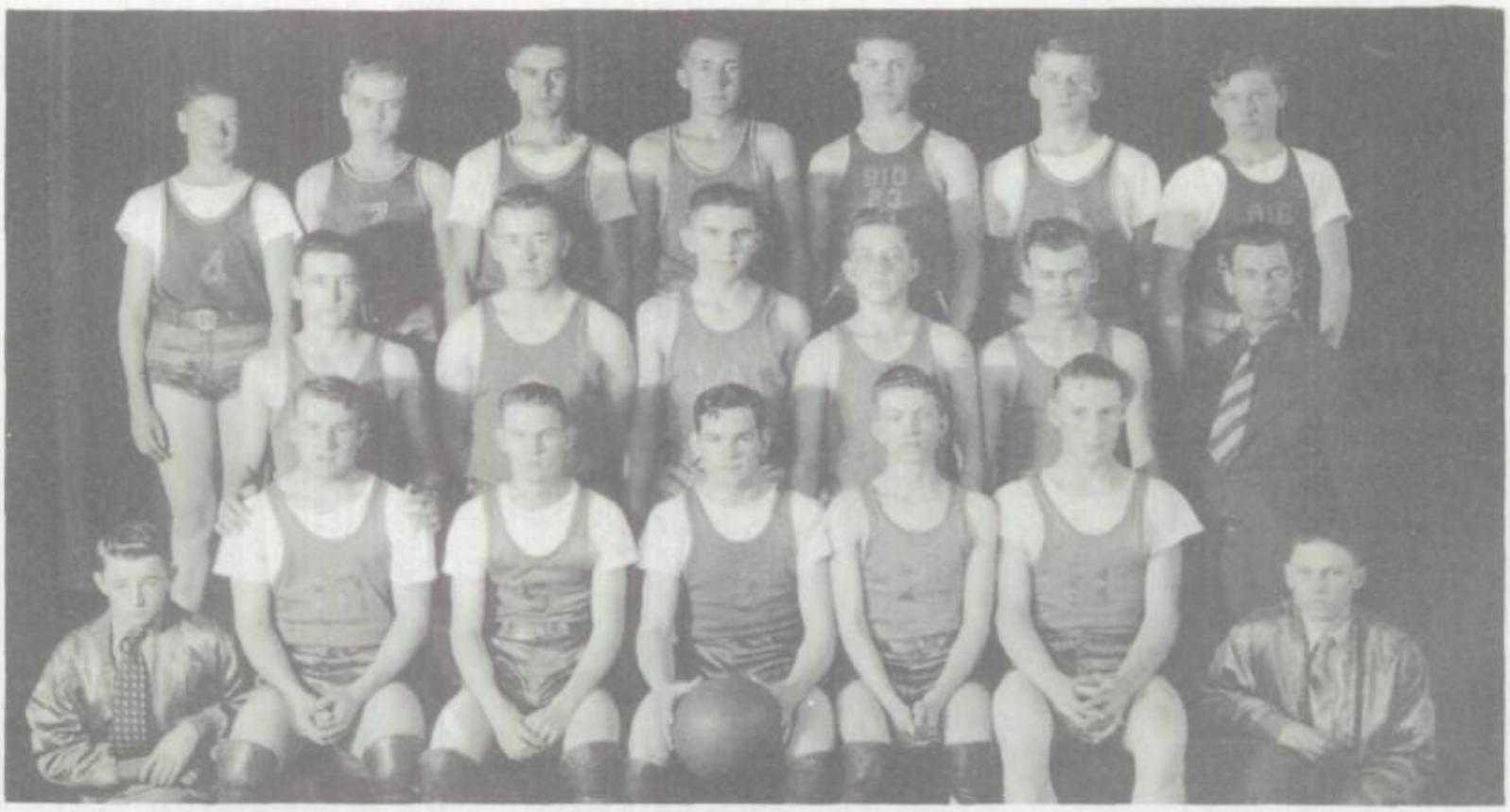
## Basketball

The Trojan's season was marked with a few victories and marred by more defeats than usual. By the end of the regular season, the Venango game on February 19, Big Springs had won three and lost twelve games.

The squad, though handicapped by lack of height, developed good team work, but had trouble finding the basket.

### Schedule

| | H | OP |
|---|---|---|
| Lodgepole | 12 | 44 |
| Madrid | 32 | 19 |
| Ogallala | 31 | 48 |
| Lewellen | 23 | 36 |
| Venango | 20 | 45 |
| Brule | 25 | 49 |
| Oshkosh | 29 | 34 |
| Paxton | 33 | 19 |
| Ogallala | 16 | 34 |
| Lewellen | 33 | 39 |
| Oshkosh | 25 | 48 |
| Grant | 41 | 49 |
| Brule | 52 | 34 |
| Chappell | 22 | 61 |
| Venango | 51 | 28 |



Sylvia Gerhke believes that everything comes to her who weights.

Track

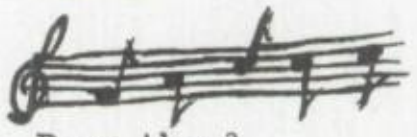
These are the speed demons of 1945 from the Big Springs Rural High School.

The outstanding track man was Jack Bright who qualified for the state track meet at Oshkosh in the 100 yard dash.

Lettermen were: Jack Bright, Elvin Zimmerman, Irvin Kallsen, Vance Dorn, Junior Shaw, and Junior Hothan.

Will Nelda always furnish her house with Wood?

## SCHOOL EVENTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Aug 31 | Registration | Just Before |
| Sept 3 | School Opens | At it again |
| 14 | School Mixer | Get acquainted? |
| 21 | Brule-Football | Aren't we good? |
| 25 | Square Dance | Swing it! |
| 27 | Montague | What a memory! |
| 28 | Sutherland--Football | Maybe next time! |
| Oct 4 | FTA Picnic | Nice Weather |
| 5 | Lewellen--Football | Were they mad? |
| 9 | School Dance | That rhythm! |
| 10 | Fire Prevention | Be careful! |
| 12 | Lodgepole--FB | We did it again |
| 17 | CB's Installation | Something new |
| 18 | Dalton-Football | What a game! |
| 22 | Senior Pictures | Poor Camera! |
| 24 | Hershey-Football | It's a habit! |
| 25-26 | Teachers Convention | Breathing spell |
| Nov 1 | Henri | Pretty cards |
| 2 | Paxton-Football | Won again! |
| 9 | Madrid-Football | Going Strong |
| 14 | LeRoy | Same old thing |
| 16 | Stapleton--FB | Let's forget it |
| 17 | Music Concert | Sweet Music |
| 22-23 | Thanksgiving | A little rest |
| 29 | Junior Play | What a shame! |
| Dec 7 | Band Clinic | More fun! |
| 16 | Christmas Cantata | Enjoyed? |
| 18 | Madrid--Basketball | Bad start |
| 21 | Christmas Program | Merry Christmas! |
| Jan 8 | Ogallala--Basketball | Wait until next time! |
| 11 | Lewellen--BB | What, not again |
| 11 | End of Semester | That's one gone |
| 14 | Venango--BB | A Victory!! |
| 16 | Junior Party | Find it? |
| 18 | Brule-Basketball | Beat again |
| 19 | Teachers' Exams | Tough? |
| 22 | Oshkosh--BB | They beat |
| 23 | Music Party | Tell the truth |
| Jan 24 | Harvey | Three Blind Mice |
| 25 | Paxton--BB | Another Victory!! |
| 29 | Ogallala-BB | Must we mention it? |
| 30 | Vets II--BB | Not bad! |
| Febr 1 | Lewellen-BB | We lost |
| 8 | Oshkosh--BB | Not good |
| 9 | Grant--BB | Close! |
| 12 | Brule--BB | We won!! |
| 13 | Chappell-BB | Oh, how we lost! |
| 14 | Nat'l Assembly | Bob Burns' Brother |
| 15 | Operetta | "Jeanie" |
| 19 | Senior Party | How hard did you fall? |
| 21-23 | S.P.V.A. | Bad luck |
| 27-28 | Class C-BB Tournament | We did our best! |
| 28 | Nat'l Assembly | The Serenaders |
| March: | | |
| 1-2 | Class C-BB Tournament | That's O.K. |
| 6 | Class A-BB Tournament | More Baskets! |
| 7-9 | C&D play offs | More Baskets! |
| 14-16 | State Tournament | Just the best |
| 19 | Regent Exams | Brain work! |
| 20 | Athletic Banquet | What Muscles! |
| 26 | Senior Play | "A Crazy Mix-up" |
| 29 | Spring | Ho-hum |
| Apr 3 | Vacation | |
| 12 | State Music Contest | |
| 13 | Teachers Exams | Pass them? |
| 15-20 | Practice Teach | High School Marms! |
| 21 | Easter | Church bells |
| May 1 | Nursery School | squeals and squalls |
| 8 | May Fete | Who was elected? |
| 12 | Baccalaureate | Keep in step |
| 14 | Eighth Grade Graduation | Remember way back? |
| 15 | Honor Night | Seniors strictly in charge |
| 16 | Commencement | This is it! |
| 17 | Close of School | Any tears? |
| 18 | Three Months of Freedom | Yea-bo!!!! |

I'm not quiet, just thinking--Edna May Hartwell.

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The dream girl of the Freshmen boys--Maralyn Walrod

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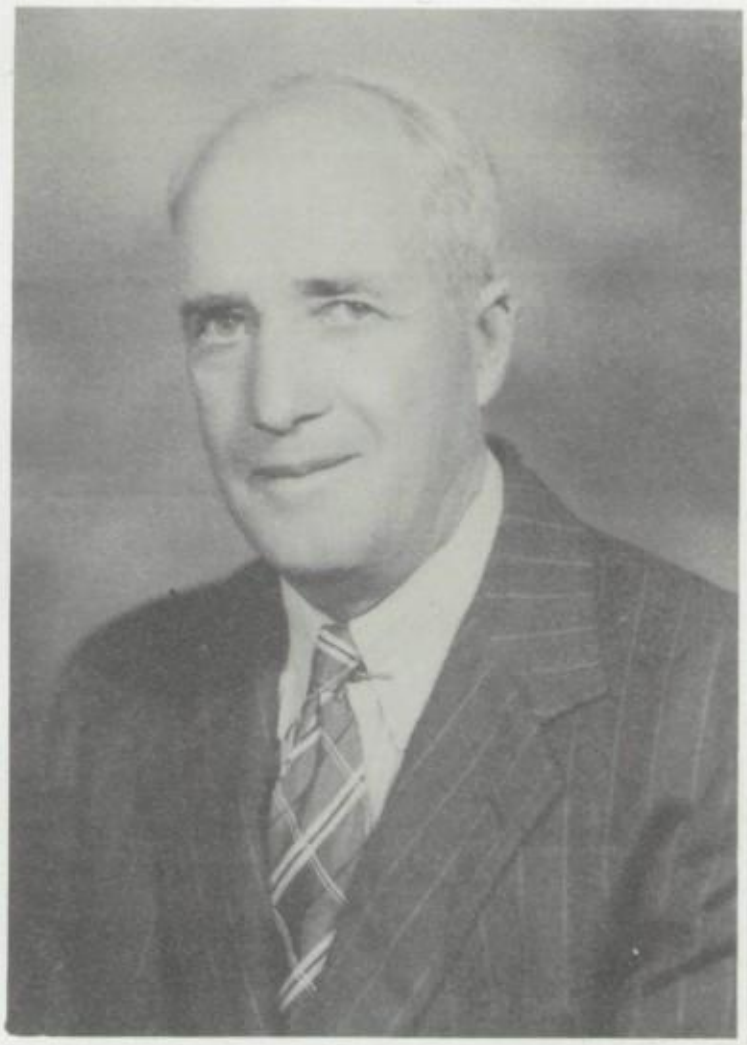
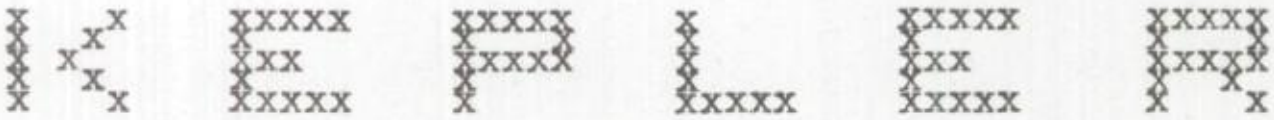


Mr. Clark, who keeps the school building a clean and pleasant place of work, is popular with all who know him.

In later years we'll see this headline: Marie Sorensen, Famous Giggling Trombonist.



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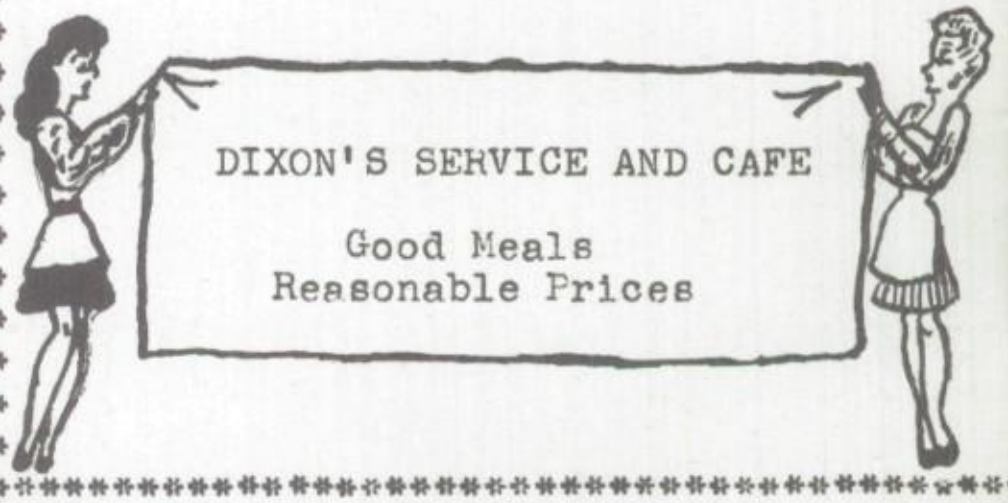


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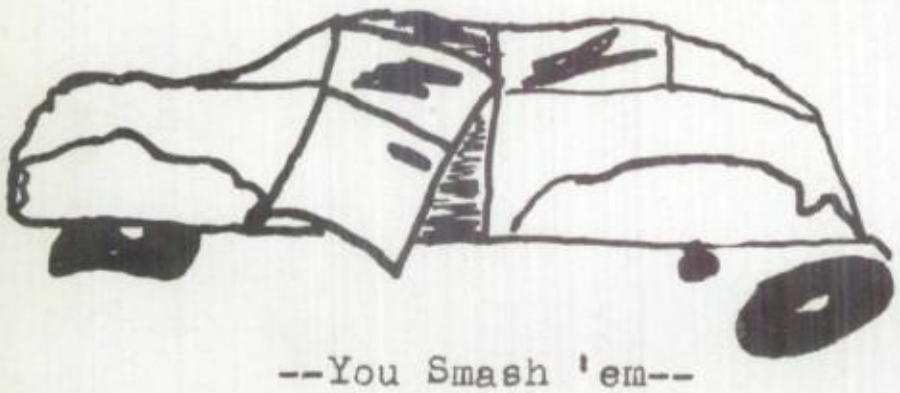

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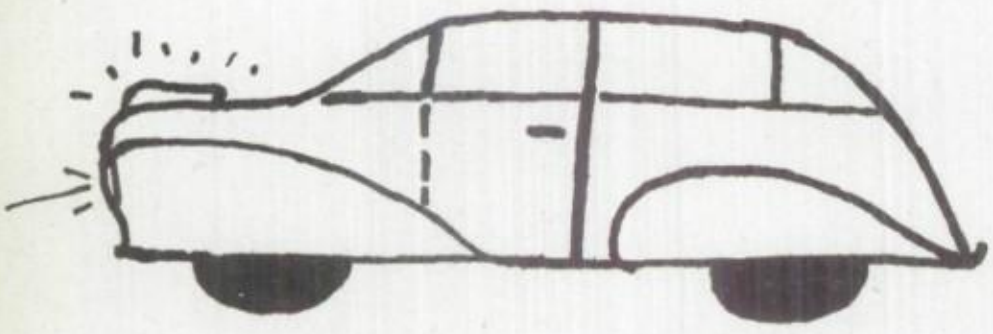

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